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(SBU) On October 31, econoff delivered points conveyed in reftel to Sellam Berrada, Chief of Staff for International Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Berrada said he could not speak for the GOM, but foresaw "no reason" why Morocco would not support re-election of the U.S. to Category A of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Council. He pledged to share our desire for re-election with the appropriate Moroccan officials and to inform us of any negative response. Comment: In the absence of subsequent notification from the GOM, we can expect Moroccan support. End Comment.

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